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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Personnel

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SUBJECT

: Proposed Revision of Regulation on "Honor Awards."

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In accordance with our conversation of today, these are the suggestions that I would offer in connection with the proposed revision of the Regulation on "Honor Awards."

I think that it is a good Regulation with the exception of the fact that it expects the Director, personally, to do a great deal. Purely in the interest of making the minimum demands upon his time, I would suggest that some consideration be given to changing the procedures. After all, it seems to me that what we really want is for the Director to make those swards which are finally approved and he should be bothered as little as possible with the mechanics until such approval is actually ready for his signature and formal presentation.

Why couldn't the Deputy Director (Support) appoint the Honor Awards Board "For the Director of Central Intelligence" based upon the nominations of the major components? Why couldn't he also authenticate the Regulation?

There may be other things which we could do to demand less of the Director's time. This is my whole idea, and any suggestions that you have along this line will be appreciated.

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